(b) the details of the out-of-turn telephone connections sanctioned on the recommendations of each Member of Parliament and Minister?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) The number of telephone connections sanctioned on out of turn priority from January 1991 to June 1991 is as under:—

January 1991 . .	3230
February 1991 . .	3782
March 1991 . .	7096
April 1991 . .	5480
May 1991 . .	704
June 1991 . .	338
Total . .	20630

(b) The information is being compiled and will be laid on the Table of the House.

[*English*]

Agro-Based Industries in Rajasthan

551. SHRI DAU DAYAL JOSHI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to depute a study team to explore possibility of setting up of Agro-based industries in Kota, Bundi and Jhalawar (Hadoti region) in Rajasthan; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Question does not arise.

Operation Sea Angel by American Task Force

552. SHRI LOKANATH CHOUDHURY:

SHRI HARI KISHORE SINGH:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that American task force, engaged in the "Operation Sea Angel" relief mission in Bangladesh is showing undue interest on the Indo-Bangla border:

(b) whether it is also a fact that American troops, alongwith the Bangladesh army officials had visited all sensitive points along the Tripura-Bangladesh border recently;

(c) whether the American troops had surveyed the areas like Ramgarh, Kasla, Chauddagram, Chagalnaya and Narsingarh and had also taken photographs of the Indian security installations along the border;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the reaction of the Government to such acts of American troops?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI MADHAVSINH SOLANKI): (a) Government have seen recent press reports about the American task force, which was engaged in the "Operation Sea Angel" relief mission in Bangladesh and has since left Bangladesh, showing undue interest on the Indo-Bangladesh border. Government have also noted the denial by the US Embassy in New Delhi, pointing out that the US task force confined itself to the task of providing emergency relief.

(b) No. Sir.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise: and

(e) Does not arise.

Withdrawal of Transit Facilities by Pakistan

553. SHRI GOVINDRAO NIKAM: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Pakistan has withdrawn transit facilities at its international airports for Indian passengers;

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(c) whether the Government propose to take up the matter with the Government of Pakistan?